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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: SHUM, SREF, PINT, PFOR, CI, SU
SUBJECT: PRISONER EXCHANGES: AN ASTONISHING CHILEAN LIST

REF: SANTIAGO 4100

1. MAY 20 SANTIAGO PRESS REPORTS THAT AN AUTHORIZED FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCE HAS NAMED THE THIRTEEN PEOPLE THE GOC WILL RELEASE IF THE SAKHAROV COMMITTEE CAN PERSUADE THE SOVIETS TO FREE AN EQUAL NUMBER OF DISSIDENTS (REFTEL). WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE GOC HAS KEPT WASHINGTON INFORMED, BUT NO WORD OF POSSIBLE US INVOOLVEMENT HAS BEEN MADE PUBLIC IN CHILE SO FAR.

2. AS NOW CONSTITUTED, THE CHILEAN LIST CONTAINS SEVERAL SURPRISES. IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, WE AND OTHER LOCAL OBSERVERS HAVE BEEN STRUCK BY THE APPARENT INSIGNIFICANNCE OF THE PROSPECTIVE EXCHANGEES. FOR EXAMPLE, OUR INTERNAL NAME CHECKS IDENTIFIED ONLY FOUR OF THE 13 AND ONLY ONE OF THEM APPEARED TO HAVE HELD A SENIOR POSITION IN THE PCCH (SEE PARA 4).
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3. MORE SURPRISING STILL, WE UNDERSTAND THAT ONE, OF THE 13 HAS ALREADY BEEN RESETTLED ABROAD BY ICEM; ONE MAY BE OUT OF JAIL ON PAROLE; AND THE COMMUTATION DECREES FOR SEVERAL MORE WERE APPROVED SOME TIME AGO. AND IN A FEW CASES, THE ACTUAL DECREES MAY HAVE BEEN ISSUED, WHICH IS VIRTUALLY THE LAST STEP BEFORE DEPARTURE.

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4. FOLLOWING IS A RUNDOWN BASED ON OUR CURRENT UNDERSTANDING
(EMBASSY NAME CHECK INFORMATIONIS IN PARENTHESIS):

A. NAME: JACABO AHUMADA CASTRO
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: APPROVED
VISAS EXTENDED: NONE
(OTHER INFO: PCCH MEMBER)

B. NAME: ARMANDO SEGUNDO ALFARO HERRERA
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: REJECTED
VISAS EXTENDED: SWITZERLAND, FRG.

C. NAME: CARLOS IVAN AROS MANQUE
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: REJECTED
VISAS EXTENDED: FRG.

D. NAME: RENE HECTOR AROS MANQUE
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: REJECTED
VISAS EXTENDED: BELGIUM

E. NAME: JUAN RUMIE FARIAS:
COMMUTATION: APPROVED -- VISAS: NONE
COMMUTATION:APPROVED
VISAS: NONE

F. NAME: LUIS ARMANDO DURNEY SEPULVEDA: DEPARTED FOR SWITZERLAND
APRIL 25
(OTHER INFO: PCCH, SENTENCED TO 8 YEARS).

G. NAME: ADOLFO FIGUEROA ZURITA
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: DECREE ISSUED
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND

H. NAME : RUDECINDO MOLINA LOPEZ
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: DECREE ISSUED.
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND
(OTHER INFO: COMMUNIST YOUTH ORGANIZER, 19 YEAR SENTENCE)

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I. NAME: JORGE HECTOR NUNEZ AMPUERO
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: DECREE ISSUED
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND

J. NAME: LUIS ALBERTO REYES MORALES
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: REJECTED
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND

K. NAME: LUIS VICTOR ROJAS AGUIRRE
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: APPROVED
VISAS EXTENDED: USSR, UK
(OTHER INFO: PCCH CENTRAL COMMITTEE)

L. NAME: LUIS HERIBERTO SALGADO REYES
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: REJECTED
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND

M. NAME: ELVIO ROLANDO YANEZ PELUA
STATUS OF COMMUTATION: DECREE ISSUED.
VISAS EXTENDED: HOLLAND, FRANCE

5. COMMENT: IF THIS LIST IS REALLY WHAT THE GOC HAS OFFERED TO
THE SAKHAROV COMMITTEE AND THE USSR, IT MUST HAVE BEEN MADE UP

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SOME TIME AGO, OR CONCOCTED IN A HURRY AND WITHOUT ADEQUATE CHECKING WITHIN THE GOVERNMENT. IT WOULD NOT BE THE FIRST TIME THAT PEOPLE ALREADY OUT OF COUNTRY OR FREE IN CHILE HAD BEEN INCLUDED IN A LIST OF PEOPLE TO BE RELEASED, BUT IF THIS IS THE LIST, THE GOC HAS SET ITSELF UP FOR RIDICULE.
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